

Maryland-EPA Quarterly Call  
Tuesday, November 18  
10:00 am – 11:00 am  
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## AGENDA

### **AGRICULTURE**

- **Phosphorus Management Tool Regulations**
  - What is the status and timing for promulgating these regulations?
  - What interim steps is Maryland taking in preparation for the release of the PMT regulations?
  - In the event that these regulations do not move forward, what contingencies does Maryland expect to have in place to meet specific implementation and programmatic commitments?
- **Agricultural Certainty Program**
  - What is the status and timing of the legislation?
  - Will the APEX model, intended to determine eligibility under the Ag Certainty Program, also be used to determine trading eligibility?
- **Agricultural Nutrient Credit and Sediment Certification Program**
  - What is the timeline for the administrative/legislative review and for the public comment period?
- **CAFO General Permit Reissuance**
  - Did Maryland receive comments during the 9/5-9/19 public comment period that required changes to the proposed permit?
  - Does Maryland still expect to reissue the CAFO General Permit by December 1, 2014 as has been previously communciated?

### **STORMWATER**

- **Status of Stormwater Permits**
  - EPA commends Maryland for issuing the Construction General Permit ahead of schedule; finalization of the guidance *Accounting for Stormwater Wasteload Allocations and Impervious Acres Treated*; and development of the standard operating procedures for MS4 inspections.
  - What is the current status on the legal challenges to the Phase I MS4 permits? Is there additional support can EPA provide beyond the supplemental comment letters?
  - Is Maryland still on track to issue Phase I MS4 permit final determinations, Phase II tentative determinations, and the State Highway Administration permit by December 31, 2014?
- **Triennial Reviews**
  - Given that Maryland plans to roll the triennial reviews into the MS4 inspections, what is the timeline for these inspections, and therefore the reviews, to take place?
- **Montgomery County MS4 permit**
  - What are the next steps associated with this permit?

- Does Maryland plan to appeal the recent court decision?
  - Does Maryland plan to reissue the permit when it expires in February 2015?
- **Progress reporting of performance standards and retrofits**
  - Confirmation of Maryland's approach for reporting performance standards and retrofits in 2014 progress.

#### **EVALUATION OF THE 2017 and 2025 TARGETS**

- Maryland is seeking additional clarification of how EPA will evaluate Maryland's attainment of the 2017 and 2025 Phase II WIP planning targets.

#### **WASTEWATER/SEPTICS**

- **Septic Implementation Strategy**
  - What is the status and timeline for developing a detailed schedule for the septic implementation strategy?

#### **TRADING AND OFFSETS**

- **Accounting for Growth Regulations**
  - What is the status of the Accounting for Growth regulations?
  - Does Maryland still plan to submit to EPA a revised schedule for finalizing these regulations?
- **Nutrient Trading Tool**
  - What is the status of calibrating the Nutrient Trading Tool so it aligns more closely with the Chesapeake Bay Program's Watershed Model and enables EPA to provide the \$350,000 additional funding toward the Nutrient Trading Tool?

#### **CHANGES TO NUTRIENT AND SEDIMENT LOADINGS**

- Chesapeake Bay Program Office modeling team will review with Maryland the changes to their nutrient and sediment loadings due to the incorporation of the 2012 Agricultural Census data and other new land use and population information.

#### **FEDERAL FACILITY TARGETS**

- Confirmation of Maryland's approach in setting targets for federal facilities.